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The conflict between Pres TRUMAN and the Congress will have no direct bearing on the matter of sending troops to Europe. Assuredly the Pres would dispatch troops only on the recommendation of Gen EISENHOWER. (A primary reason for sending the Gen to Europe was to provide the Administration a firm foundation for action.) With an EISENHOWER endorsement, the present Congress, if asked to do so, would vote to send troops abroad.

So what we witness is a bit of political jousting. The issue is without precedent—a situation the framers of our Constitution could hardly have foreseen. Congress has, of course, the implicit right to declare war. But the Pres is Commander-in-Chief of the armed forces. His position is that he has authority, without consultation, to dispatch troops anywhere, in advance of aggression. It is this authority which Sen TAFT and others contest. TRUMAN will win.

With a less truculent Pres, the conflict probably would not have arisen. But most Republicans are content. They may evade a formal ballot on the issue of sending troops abroad. Yet they are on record with a protest against what they term authoritarian action. Should the foreign expedition now prove unpopular, or meet with disaster, blame will fall directly upon the Administration.

MAY WE *Quote* YOU ON THAT?

Gen DOUGLAS MACARTHUR, in a statement marking 71st birthday (Jan 26): "I'll spend the rest of my life if necessary fighting Communism . . . The American way of life is the most wonderful thing we have, and it is worth fighting for when it is threatened." 1-Q

Gen DWIGHT D EISENHOWER: "I have come to know there is a real difference between the regular German soldier and officer and Hitler and his criminal group . . . I do not believe that the German soldier, as such, has lost his honor." 2-Q

MAURICE J TOBIN, U S Sec'y of Labor, testifying before Senate Armed Services Comm: "In my opinion, it will be a long time before we shall have to resort to the 48-hr work wk." 3-Q

Gen OMAR BRADLEY, chmn, Joint Chiefs of Staff: "If this country is to survive, our citizens will have to face the hard fact that the conditions under which we labor may persist for 10, 15 or 20 yrs." 4-Q

Sen EUGENE D MILIKIN, Colo, ranking Rep mbr Finance Comm, commenting on reckless Gov't expenditures: "A dollar used to be worth 100 cts; now it's worth about 45 and may continue downward until we have a no-cent dollar." 5-Q

LEANDER PEREZ, La, vice-chmn Nat'l States Rights Comm, announcing his group will offer no Presidential candidate in '52: "Eisenhower is our man. He would carry many Southern states even if he ran as a Republican." 6-Q

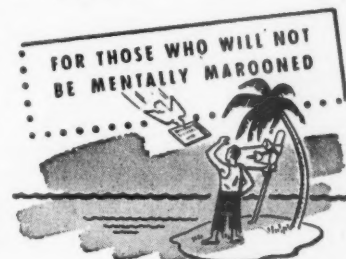
Pres HARRY S TRUMAN: "There isn't any difference between Hitler and Mussolini, in Tarquin in ancient Rome; in the tyrants of Spain, in Chas I of England and Louis XIV—and Stalin. They're all alike." 7-Q

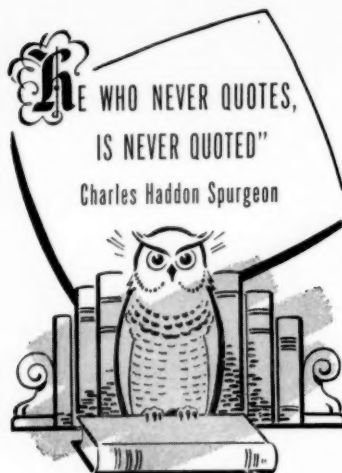
Pfc JAS D BYRD, 14-yr-old of Youngstown, Ohio, who suffered frodbite while fighting in Korea, put his support behind proposed drafting of 18-yr-olds: "Anybody who is 18 is plenty old enough to be in the Army." 8-Q

ERLE COCKE, Jr, Nat'l Comdr, American Legion: "If you do not take 18-yr-olds you will in effect be ordering the redraft of World War II veterans, many of whom have already served their country when they were themselves 18." 9-Q

CHAS E WILSON, defense mobilizer: "Latent productive capacity in this country is tremendous . . . Russians know that . . . and I don't think the Politburo is dumb." 10-Q

Dr M O Ross, pres, Butler Univ: "The UN has degenerated into a debating society. It is a weaker force for peace than the old League of Nations." 11-Q





ACCOMPLISHMENT—1

The man who is afraid to begin is worse than a quitter.—*Mich Christian Advocate.*

ACCURACY—2

When Martin J Routh, pres of Magdalen Coll, Oxford, was 103 yrs old, he was asked to sum up the results of his long experience as scholar and teacher. "It is simple," he said, "quite simple. *Verify your references.*"—*GILBERT HIGHET, prof of Latin, Columbia Univ, "Oh, Professor!" This Wk.*

ACTION—3

Action without study is fatal. Study without action is futile.—*MARY BEARD, NEA Jnl.*

AGE—Youth—4

By the time a man can afford to lose a golf ball, he can't hit it that far.—*ROY M GARDNER, Mo-bridge (S D) Tribune.*

ART—5

My 5-yr-old daughter and I visited an art exhibit at our state univ, last summer. As we went from picture to picture, she commented on each.

Finally, we stood before an abstract painting. After a brief pause,

she said with a faint hint of disappointment in her voice, "It isn't really a picture, but it's nice samples."—*NAIDENE TREXLER, Instructor.*

ATOMIC AGE—6

"Certain savants are saying the hydrogen bomb could not blow up the earth." And so it goes. In every line of hopeful endeavor, one now finds these defeatists.—*Sen SOAPER, Bell Syndicate.*

The H-bomb is an A-bomb dipped in Hadacol.—*Current Wise-crack.*

BUSINESS—7

Behind each factory worker is an investment of about \$7,900 in bldgs, equipment and other things which help to make his job easier and more productive.—*Blazes, hm, American-LaFrance-Foamite.*

CHURCH—8

Human nature doesn't change very much even in the matter of church habits. As a proof that the practice of crowding the rear seats in our churches is not merely a recent development, we quote from the Apostolic Constitutions dating from the yr 380 A D in Syria:

"Let the deacons have charge of the seats in the church so that all who come in may take their own place, and not stay back near the door."—*Ave Maria.*

COMMUNISM—9

This story has been making the rounds in Moscow (and U S A, too, we hear). Two high party officials were staring across St Wenceslaus Square after a trying day of carrying out orders from Moscow. "What do you think of the future of our beloved country under Communism?" asked one of them.

"The same as you do," ret'd the other.

"Oh, you do?" said the 1st. "In that case, comrade, I shall have to report you to the State Police."—*Freeman.*

COMMUNISM—Enterprise—10

An American tire salesman who arrived unannounced at sunrise in Hong Kong on my plane was visited the same morning by three purchasing agents for the Communists who offered \$200 apiece for standard tires; a tribute to the competence of the Communist regime and a sign of its hard times.—*MICHAEL STRAIGHT, "Will Communism Win in Asia?" New Republic, 11-27-'50.*

"We have with us . . ."

My nature's unemotional,
Quite stable and un-notional;
But one sort of ruction
Upsets it.

I bristle with odium
When the guy on the podium
Needs no introduction
But gets it.—*RICHARD F ARM-KNECHT, Wall St Jnl. 11*

CONFUSION—12

People are like steamboats—they toot loudest when they are in a fog.—*Friendly Thoughts*

CO-OPERATION—13

Two men working as a team will produce more than 3 men working as individuals.—*CHAS P MCCORMICK, pres & chmn, McCormick & Co.*

COST-OF-LIVING—14

"Martin says he can't live on his salary," the manager reported to the proprietor.

"That's nothing," the proprietor ans'd. "Nobody can, but everybody does." — *Voice Writing. (Toronto, Canada)*

CYNICISM—15

A cynic is one who thinks it is better to have loved and lost than to have loved and won.—*Origin unknown.*

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DIVORCE—16

In a divorce suit the seamy side generally shows.—*Banking.*

FAITH—17

Faith makes the uplook good, the outlook bright, the inlook favorable and the future glorious.—*Newman Bulletin.*

FAME—18

A lot of good could be done for the world if nobody cared who got the credit for it.—*Arkansas Methodist.*

FIRE—Losses—19

The farmer's annual loss from fire would build about 50,000 outbldgs at \$2,000 each and these structures, stood end to end, would form an unbroken wall 500 mi's in length. The replacement of farm bldgs destroyed by fire alone requires the cutting of 5,000 acres of U S forests a yr.—*Baer's Agricultural Almanac.*

FREE ENTERPRISE—20

The U S is moving steadily in the direction of becoming a nation of employees. As time passes a larger and larger proportion of the population is becoming employed by others — principally corp'ns and gov'ts. The most important group in maintaining individual freedom and private competitive enterprise in the U S today is the self-employed—farmers, storekeepers and other small businessmen. — W I MYERS, dean, N Y State College of Agriculture, in *Dun's Review.*

FRIENDSHIP—21

You can make more friends in 2 mo's by becoming interested in other people than you can in 2 yrs by trying to get other people interested in you.—*Asbestos.*

GOD—and Man—22

A little girl repeating the 23rd Psalm, said it this way: "The Lord is my Shepherd, that's all I want." —*Baraca-Philathea News.*

GOV'T—Cost—23

The am't our gov't spends annually represents \$45 a min since the birth of Christ.—*Wright Line,* hm, Wright & Co.

In the old days a nation got along without something if it cost too much.—*Banking.*

INCOME—Nat'l—24

The average '49 income of 70 countries, measured in dollars at

the '49 value, varied from \$1453 in the U S., to \$25 in Indonesia. The 8 richest countries, with 1/10 the population, produce about 55% of the total income of all countries. The 25 poorest, with half the population, produce something near 1/10 of the total nat'l incomes.—*Labor Union.*

They say . . .

Last Spring the *New Yorker*, in its spirit of perpetual whimsy, published an uncaptioned illustration by cartoonist RICHTER, portraying 3 scientists chained to a laboratory floor. Now, the Hungarian mag, *Szabad Szaj*, reproduces the picture with a heading, "Confessions," and the added note: "The American scientists continue their research work in close collaboration with the authorities." . . . But even this bleak prospect apparently does not dissuade those who seek haven on our shores. From *Die Zeit*, Hamburg, we learn of a new German song which begins (QUOTE translation): "To whom-ever God wishes to grant special favors, will be given an opportunity to go to Ellis Island." . . . Few outsiders realize the magnitude of the Ford Foundation which has lately commanded services of PAUL G HOFFMAN and ROB'T M HUTCHINS. Assets approximate \$1 billion, and there's an income of \$1 million a wk to be spent on various projects . . . The wkly, *Commonweal*, estimates that 1500 murders take place each wk—on the radio.

INSPIRATION—25

While Handel was composing the Messiah he felt the Divine Presence at his side. Later, when someone commented that everyone admired and loved his work, Handel replied, "That is not what I had hoped for. It was not written to please the listeners, but to make them better people."—*Le Reveil*, Quebec. (QUOTE translation)

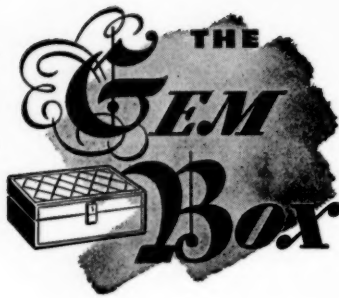


No Pres-elect of the U S ever entered the nation's capital more ignominiously than did ABRAHAM LINCOLN 90 yrs ago (Feb 23, 1861). Here is recorded one of the few instances when the stalwart splitter of rails yielded to the incredibly bad judgment of associates.

The Lincoln special had been inching Eastward for 10 days, with frequent pauses and many speeches. In Philadelphia, NORMAN B JUDD, a mbr of the entourage, presented to LINCOLN a ry detective ALLAN PINKERTON, who brought word of a purported plan to assassinate the Pres-elect upon his arrival at Baltimore. Historians now view the alleged "plot" as largely a fabrication. LINCOLN later declared, "I did not believe then, and I do not believe now that I would have been assassinated if I had gone on to Baltimore."

JUDD and PINKERTON proposed that the Pres-elect leave the special train at Harrisburg and proceed secretly to Washington. Col SUMNER, of the U S Army, who had been assigned to guard LINCOLN, called the proposal "a damned piece of cowardice." He offered to bring in a squad of cavalry and "cut our way to Washington." LINCOLN himself asked: "What will the nation think of its President stealing into its capital like a thief in the night?" Mrs LINCOLN was later reported by the *Baltimore Sun* as firmly opposed. (She and her 3 children remained aboard the train.)

In the end, the Judd counsel prevailed. On the night of Feb 22 LINCOLN, wearing a shabby old overcoat and (for the only time in his life) a soft wool hat, slipped from his hotel at Harrisburg to a waiting cab. At the ry station an engine and darkened coach awaited. At 6:30 the following morning ABRAHAM LINCOLN, a tired, unheroic figure, reached his destination—and began a new and troubled journey toward immortality.



Hate

JAS STEPHENS

My enemy came nigh;
And I
Stared fiercely in his face:
My lips went writhing back in a
grimace,
And stern I watched him from a
narrowed eye:

Then as I turned away,
My enemy,
That bitter-heart, and savage, said
to me:

—Some day, when this is past;
When all the arrows that we have
are cast;
We may ask one another why we
hate?

And fail to find a story to relate:

It may seem to us, then a mystery
That we could hate each other—
Thus said he; and did not turn
away;
Waiting to hear what I might have
to say;

But I fled quickly: fearing, if I
stayed,
I might have kissed him, as I
would a maid.—*Collected Poems*
of Jas Stephens. (Macmillan)

INVENTION—26

During this half century five
inventions changed the face of
the world. The automobile and air-
plane quickly moved people and
goods over the entire world. Ra-
dio, movies and television moved
ideas with similar speed.—EDGAR
DALE, "Choices for the Next Half
Century," *Ind Teacher*, 12-'50.

ISGLATION—27

You can't be an isolationist if
you have something another coun-
try wants.—CAREY WILLIAMS, *Pub-
lisher's Syndicate*.

KNOWLEDGE—28

If there is one thing more than
any other that characterizes the
average American, it is his eager-
ness to learn almost anything at
almost any age.—H V KALTENBORN,
Forbes.

LABOR RELATIONS—29

The day has passed when the
relations between the worker and
the employer can be considered a
private affair. The community sits
as a silent partner at every nego-
tiation and indeed at all of the
day-to-day events in the factory
or shop which build up construc-
tive or hostile labor relations.—
Prof N ARNOLD TOLLES, Cornell
Univ, addressing Ext. Div of N Y
School of Industrial & Labor Re-
lations.

LAND—30

If all the cultivated land in the
world were evenly divided among
the people, each person would
have slightly more than 1 acre,
says U S Dep't of Agriculture. The
earth's population is about 2,264
million and crop land amt's to
approx 2,470 million acres.—*Dairy-
men's League News*.

LANGUAGE—31

The reason they call our lan-
guage the Mother Tongue is be-
cause Father so seldom gets a
chance to use it.—*American Farm
Youth*.

" "

If you can't describe a circular
staircase with your hands behind
your back, your vocabulary isn't
adequate. — *Cominco Mag*, hm,
Consolidated Mining Co.

LAW—32

When you get a jury's decision
on a trial conducted by a compe-
tent judge, you have the quinte-
ssence of justice. I have no patience
with those people who speak of
jury cases as if any shyster could
get out there and bamboozle the
jury.—Fed'l Judge HAROLD R ME-
DINA, receiving annual Rotary
award for distinguished service.

LIFE—33

What is a great life? It is the
dream of youth realized in old
age.—ALFRED DE VIGNY, quoted in
Le Recueil, Quebec. (QUOTE trans-
lation)

LOVE—34

In a man she loves, or thinks
she loves, a woman will forgive
anything except indifference.—WM
FEATHER, *Enos Mag*, hm, Enos Coal
Mining Co.

MIND—35

Our minds are like parachutes—
they function only when open.—
Teraco Safety Digest.

MILITARY SERVICE—36

The effect of any future war on
youth is unpredictable. One can
be quite sure, however, that if war
comes and youth are prepared, the
damaging effects on them and on
the nation will be far less than if
they are not.—Dr WM C MENNIN-
GER, founder Menninger Clinic.

Don't underrate an apostrophe,
It means a lot to you and me;
Man's laughter shows a merry
wit,
Manslaughter, just the oppo-
site.—ROSS HAMILTON, *St Louis
Post-Dispatch*. 37

ORIGIN: Question Mark—38

When people 1st began to write,
they found that 2 sentences could
be written alike and yet one would
be a question and the other a
statement. Then ancient writers
began to put the Latin word
questo (meaning question) after
the sentence making an inquiry.
Later *questo* was shortened to
"qo"—the 1st and last letter; later
still, "q" was placed over "o".

Our present day mark (?) ac-
tually stands for "q" and "o"—
Irish News.

PEACE—39

Had we done an accurate job
cutting the peace pattern after
the last war we'd have had no
scraps left over.—*Wall St Jnl*.

PEOPLE—40

Folks are never quite as good,
never quite as bad, as we think
when we are excited.—DONALD R
MURPHY, *Wallace's Farmer & Iowa
Homestead*.

PRAYER—41

A grateful thought toward
heaven is of itself a prayer.—Ar-
kansas Baptist.

PROBLEMS—42

Turning your back on one problem brings you face to face with another.—*Indianapolis News*.

PRODUCTION—43

In 1900, Europe's output per man-hr was substantially equivalent to that of U S. Today, in average terms, it is between $\frac{1}{3}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ that of U S.—MILTON J KATZ, amb-at-large, E C A administrator in Europe.

RADIO—44

It sure is funny how much thought went into the development of the radio and how little comes out.—HY SHERIDAN, *Flying*.

RELIGION—45

Those solemn souls who object to humor in religion forget that the Christian Church was founded on a pun—"Peter" and "rock" being the same word in Greek.—SYDNEY J HARRIS, *Chicago Daily News*.

REMORSE—46

London income tax collectors rec'd 5 shillings and an unsigned note which declared: "I once defrauded the gov't of 5 pounds. Remorse gnaws my conscience. I am sending you 5 shillings. When the remorse gnaws again I'll send you some more."—*San Francisco Chronicle*.

SAFETY—Safe Driving—47

The only way to reduce our traffic death toll is to use the oldest but most often ignored safety device—the one about 9 inches above your shoulders.—NED H DEARBORN, Nat'l Safety Council.

People who insist on drinking before driving are putting the quart before the hearse.—*Creamery Co-Operator*.

SALESMANSHIP—48

The average American salesman keeps 33 men and women at work—33 people producing the product he sells . . . and is responsible for the livelihood of 130 people.—ROBT A WHITNEY, pres, National Sales Executives.

SPEECH—Speaking—49

With nothing worth the saying, say it not,

Then none will say your talk is tommy-rot;

And folks will listen then to what you say

And never pass you up nor break away.—*Nat'l Human Review*.

STATE-OF-THE-WORLD—50

Something's going to slip sooner or later. The world is standing on Uncle Sam's shoulder; he's standing on the American taxpayer's back, and the American taxpayer is standing on the ragged edge.—*Kalends of the Wagerly Press*, hm, Williams & Wilkins Co.

STRATEGY—51

When temperamental performers refused to go on in a given spot in our show at Argyle Theater, I used to take the artist aside and say: "I realize that it is tough to have to follow Mr So-and-So, but I must have in that spot an act which will go over big and get heavy applause. And I chose you. But, of course, if you feel that you are not strong enough to hold the spot . . ."

I never had to take it any further!—T D CLARKE, Birkenhead, England, *Rotarian*.

A Bag of Tools

Each is given a bag of tools,

A shapeless mass,

A book of rules;

And each must make,

Ere life has flown,

A stumbling-block

Or a stepping-stone. — R L

SHARPE, *Best Loved Poems of*

American People, edited by

HAZEL FELLEMAN. (Garden City)

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SUCCESS—53

A man who does a little more work than he's asked to, who takes a little more care than he's expected to, who puts the small details on an equal footing with the important ones—he's the man who is going to make a success of his job. Each little thing done better is the thin end of the wedge into something bigger.—*Sunshine Magazine*.

TELEVISION—54

Britain will put more than \$7.5 million into its nat'l television service—a program to bring almost

her entire population within range of TV by '54. New transmitters will be built to reach over 40 million people.—*Reuters*.

If you can learn the rumba by television, then the medium's capacity for evil has been infinitely under-est'd.—JOHN CROSSBY, *Detroit Free Press*.

TEMPER—55

Nothin'll cook your goose faster than a red-hot temper.—Cable, Council 437, K of C, Indianapolis.

THRIFT—56

A man who saves for a rainy day gets a lot of bad-weather reports from his relatives.—RAYMOND DUNCAN, *Ellaville (Ga) Sun*.

TIME—57

The worst trouble with the future is that it seems to be here quicker than it used to.—MERRILL CHILCOTE, *Maryville (Mo) Tribune*.

TOLERANCE—58

With strength must go tolerance of other people's views and ways of life. There is plenty of room in the world for all the diverse philosophies and systems that men devise.—*Sunday Express*. (London)

VALUES—59

A bargain is usually something you cannot use at a price you cannot resist.—*Man's Shop*, hm, House of Ensign. (Cape Town, S Africa)

WORLD AFFAIRS—60

The serious weakness of the system that now challenges us is not its mechanical inability, but its moral failure. In the end we live for loyalty and freedom and human dignity, tho it gives us a strange embarrassment to admit it. Much as man needs security, he needs personal dignity more.—DR ELTON TRUEBLOOD, Earlham Coll, addressing a world-problems conf in Cincinnati.

YOUTH—Age—61

The great, the astonishing thing about (youth) is that it may be enjoyed twice! Once thru one's own youth—and later, and better—thru that of another.—A Central Character in the play, *Second Threshold*, by the late PHILIP BARRY.

GOOD STORIES

You Can Use

Noah was checking as the animals filed quietly aboard the ark, two by two. Finally he looked up and, in a cloud of dust, saw a rabbit with a fox in fast pursuit.

Dashing madly up the gangplank, the rabbit skidded to a stop and stood panting. The fox drooped to a halt beside him.

"What's the matter with you two?" asked Noah. "Didn't I tell you to come quietly aboard with no fighting?"

"Well, you know how it is, Noah," said the rabbit, leering at the fox, "there's always some fellow who doesn't get the word."—*Christian Leader*. **a**

" "
A statistician is a man who draws a mathematically precise line from an unwarranted assumption to a foregone conclusion.—Wingspread.

" "
It had taken the entire morning for Zeke to tow the tourists' car down to the settlement. When he finally ret'd home with his weary old mule his wife asked, "How much did you charge that city feller for towin' him?"

"Fifty cents," Zeke ans'd. "Guess it wasn't too much. Leastwise, he didn't kick up no fuss."

"Fifty cents! I swear, Pa, sometimes I wish you'd do the pullin' and let the mule handle the executive end of the deals."—*Capper's Weekly*. **b**

" "
One way for a man to keep his head above water is to keep out of expensive dives.—ROD BRASFIELD, radio program.

" "
Jr, a high-school student, was getting ready to go to a dance, and his mother noticed that he got dressed in record time. "Son," she asked accusingly, "did yo' take a bath?"

"No, mom," came the reply. "Now, listen Jr," she remonstrated, "you wouldn't go to a dance without taking a bath, would you?"

"Sure," repl'd Jr, "It isn't formal." — F G KERNAN, *Country Gentleman*. **c**

I LAUGHED AT THIS ONE

RUTH MONTGOMERY

Rep Edna F Kelly, of N Y, rides the Washington-N Y commuter train almost every wk-end with other mbrs of Congress. The other day the dining car waiter who regularly serves the group seemed especially attentive to Mrs Kelly, but kept calling her "Mrs Rankin."

At last, one of the men in the group said: "This is Congresswoman Kelly. Why do you call her Mrs. Rankin?"

"Excuse me, ma'am," stammered the abashed waiter, "but I saw a news reel of you arguing with Rep Rankin. I thought nobody but his wife could fight like that with that man."—*Chicago Tribune*.

" "
Bachelor: a guy who is foot-loose and fiancée free.—Louisville Courier-Jnl.

" "
"Are the hot wires ready?" came a sonorous voice.

"Yes, master, they are red hot," was the submissive reply.

"Is the oil burning?"

"Yes, master, it is fuming."

"Is she tied securely?"

"Yes, master, it is impossible for her to move."

"Is the shroud over her?"

"Yes, master."

"All right, then, give her the \$3 permanent." — *Santa Fe Mag.*, hm, Santa Fe Ry. **d**

" "
Capitalist: One who continues to spend less than his income.—Outdoor Ind.

" "
The two men were discussing their usual topic—women. "I think I'll propose my wife for Congresswoman," said one.

"Why?" countered the other one, immediately interested.

"Because she's so good at introducing bills into the house."—*Christian Herald*. **e**

The teacher was explaining the marks of punctuation. She wrote on the blackboard: "Where are you going?" "Now," she said, "who can tell me what the little mark at the end of the sentence means?"

There was silence for a while, and then Willie held up his hand. "Well, Willie?" Said Willie: "It means 'Where are you going, little buttonhook.'" — JOHN A FERRALL, *Volta Review*. **f**

" "
We like Tom, Dick and Harry more when they have Jack with them. — Delmara News, Shelbyville, Del.

" "
The publisher of a magazine sent out questionnaires to his subscribers as all of us do now in accordance with the American idea. One of the questions was: "Which books have helped you most in life?"

The most noteworthy answer was: "My mother's cookbook and my father's check book."—*Quick*, Munich, Germany. (QUOTE translation) **g**

" "
A person seldom gets his head above the crowd without sticking his neck out.—Journeyman Barber.

" "
Altho I enjoy taking care of my grandchildren, I limit the pleasant task to 1 evening a wk, because my husband dislikes being left alone. If my son and his wife go out more than this 1 evening a wk, they hire a pretty blond sitter named Sylvia.

Last evening, 5-yr-old Cheryl announced to me, "Jackie and I want you to stay with us every night when daddy and mummy are away." I explained I could not do this because grandpa would have to stay alone every night, and grandpa doesn't like staying alone.

Cheryl thought this over a min, then came back with: "We'll send Sylvia over to stay with grandpa." —*Christian Science Monitor*. **h**

The new salesman on his first trip thru the territory called on an old storekeeper who was so deaf that the interview had to be conducted by writing. "I am sorry you are so hard of hearing," the salesman wrote. "How long have you been this way?"

"Thirty yrs," was the answer.

"Have you tried the latest hearing aids?"

"None of them did me any good."

"Couldn't doctors do anything for you?"

"They just told me to quit drinking so much."

"Did that help your hearing?"

"Yes, it did. I quit drinking and got so I could hear anything."

"Then how do you happen to be deaf again?"

"I decided that I liked what I was drinking so much better than what I was hearing."—*Cable, Council 437, K of C.*

" "

Fish isn't brain food. Some people eat fish on Fri, and then do the silliest things over wk-ends.—Wrenn Trend.

" "

As the ship approached rough seas, a Scotchman asked what to do to prevent sea-sickness.

"Have you a shilling?" the captain asked.

The Scotchman carefully produced the coin from his purse. "All right," said the captain. "Now hold it between your teeth until you land."—*Topicks, hm, Pick Hotels Corp'n.*

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"Friend of the bridegroom?" asked the usher at the wedding.

"Certainly not!" replied the dignified matron. "I'm the bride's mother."

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Bachelors are men who have nobody to share the cares they'd have if they were married.—Fifth Wheel, hm, Ind Motor Truck Ass'n.

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"And why," asked the neighbor, "did you call your last child 'En-core'?"

"Because he wasn't on the program at all," explained the proud father. — *Times of Brazil.* (Sao Paulo)

"My good friends," boomed the political speaker, "I am pleased to see this dense crowd here tonight."

"Well," said a voice from the back of the hall, "don't be too pleased. We ain't all dense."—*Trumbull Cheer.*

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Fad: Something that goes in one era and comes out the other.

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A drug store in Moscow displayed in its window a sign reading, "Very Good Leeches." Also displayed in the window were the pictures of Stalin and the head of the Soviet police. Passersby laughed when they saw the display. The druggist is now in Siberia. — *I Vradnyi.* (Athens)

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Sympathy: One woman listening to another until she's heard all the details.—BENNETT CERF, King Features Syndicate.

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"And why did you leave your last mistress?" the lady asked a maid applicant.

"Oh madam," she repl'd, "that's a secret. But I'll tell you, confidentially, when you tell me why your last maid left you."—*Nuggets.* hm, Barnes-Ross Co.

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Eve: The first chicken to ruin a man's garden.—Cigar & Tobacco Jnl.

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The 3rd-grade teacher carefully explained that a group of sheep is a flock and a group of quail a bevy. Then she asked for the names of groups of other animals. When she came to camels, a child timidly suggested, "A carton."—*JOS CHAS SALAK, Instructor.*

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The question of the hydrogen bomb is not what is right but what is left.—Journeyman Barber.

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Sign posted on bulletin bd at Veteran's Airport, Bloomington, Ind: "Notice! Absolutely no flying over nudist camp located exactly 8 mi's SSW on a true course of 190°."—*HAROLD HELFER, Flying.*



ART: Italian mfr has produced a vibrating pen claimed to make possible varied techniques in drawing, painting. Its coupling rod can be fitted with nibs, brushes or scraper for work on paper, celluloid, wood, stone, metals. (*Adv's Digest*)

FLOORS: Plastic floor gloss gives brilliance and protection to wood, linoleum and rubber tile surfaces. Does not peel or scuff, resists alcohol and water . . . has non-slipping formula. (*PETER DRYDEN, Parade*)

HOME FURNISHINGS: Shower deflector controls spray so hair stays dry without a cap. Also deflects water to prevent scalding while adjusting the flow. (*Popular Mechanics*)

LIGHTING: Shop or trouble light with permanently magnetized base strong enough to support it on flat or curved metal surface. Once attached, lamp can be adjusted by hand for maximum illumination. Enco Mfg Co, Chicago. (*Newsweek*)

SALES — Aid: New washable marking crayon can be wiped off wood, metal or glass with damp cloth. Eight colors available. Celco Corp'n, Santa Monica, Cal. (*Forbes*)

TOOLS: With a twist in desired direction and a few raps with hammer, screws, bolts or nuts can be tightened or loosened easily with new, simple, hand tool called "Impakdriver." (*Horizons*, syndicated by Cambridge Assoc's)

WINDOW — Lock: Automatic window lock that can be readily installed in place of usual window catch, instantly locks window whenever closed. (*American Mag*)

Quote CALENDAR

February 18-25—Brotherhood Wk

February 18

- 1546—*d Martin Luther, German religious reformer
- 1564—*d Michelangelo, Florentine, artist
- 1745—b Count Alessandro Volta, Italian physicist
- 1784—*b Nicolo Paganini, Italian violinist, composer
- 1892—*b Wendell Willkie, American politician

February 19

- 1473—b Nicholas Copernicus, Polish astronomer
- 1717—b David Garrick, English actor, playwright
- 1843—b Adelina Patti, Italian operatic soprano
- 1859—b Svante Arrhenius, Swedish chemist
- 1865—b Sven Anders Hedin, Swedish explorer, author

February 20

- 1482—d Luca della Robia, Florentine sculptor, ceramist
- 1677—d Benedict Spinoza, Dutch philosopher
- 1877—*b Mary Garden, Scottish-born American operatic soprano
- 1893—d Pierre G. Beauregard, American army officer
- 1895—d Frederick Douglass, American abolitionist, lecturer, journalist
- 1907—d Henri Moissan, French chemist
- 1920—d Rob't E Peary, American Arctic explorer

February 21

- 1801—b John Henry Cardinal Newman, English theologian, author
- 1941—d Frederick G Banting, Canadian scientist

February 22

- 1732—*b Geo Washington, 1st US Pres
- 1788—*b Arthur Schopenhauer, German philosopher
- 1810—b Frederic Chopin, Polish composer
- 1819—*b Jas Russell Lowell, American poet, essayist, diplomat
- 1857—b Lord Rob't Baden-Powell, British gen'l, founder Boy Scouts
- 1875—d Jean B Corot, French artist
- 1892—b Edna St Vincent Millay, American poet

February 23

- 1633—b Sam'l Pepys, English author
- 1685—*b Geo Frederick Handel, German composer
- 1787—b Emma Willard, American educator
- 1792—*d Sir Joshua Reynolds, English artist
- 1821—d John Keats, English poet
- 1848—*d John Quincy Adams, 6 US Pres
- 1934—d Sir Edw Elgar, English composer

February 24

- 1815—d Rob't Fulton, American engineer, inventor
- 1836—b Winslow Homer, American artist
- 1885—b Adm Chester W Nimitz, American naval officer

* Indicates relevant mat'l on this page.

JOHN QUINCY ADAMS*

Courage and persistence have a magical talisman, before which difficulties disappear and obstacles vanish into air.

MARY GARDEN*

In the heyday of her fame, Mary Garden, the opera singer, poured out her wealth lavishly. She was particularly generous to her father. Yet, no matter how much money she sent him, he was always asking for more.

Many yrs later, when the father passed away, an astonishing fact was revealed. He saved every dollar Mary had bestowed upon him, and bequeathed it to her. He had often begged her to save her money; when she disregarded his plea, he saved it for her!—IRVING HOFFMAN, *Hollywood Reporter*.

GEO FREDERICK HANDEL*

Handel, who performed the prodigious feat of completing *The Messiah* in 23 days, believed himself inspired. He said: "I did think I did see all heaven before me and the great God himself."

JAS RUSSELL LOWELL*

No man is born into the world whose work is not born with him. There is always work, and tools to work with, for those who will.

MARTIN LUTHER*

The prosperity of a country depends not on the abundance of its revenues, nor on the strength of its fortifications . . . It consists in the number of its cultivated citizens, in its men of education, enlightenment and character. Here are to be found its true interest, its chief strength, its real power.

MICHELANGELO*

Lord, grant that I may always desire more than I can accomplish.

NICOLA PAGANINI*

Asked to explain the secret of his success, the great violinist responded in these few words: "Toil, solitude and prayer."

Sir JOSHUA REYNOLDS*

Nothing is denied to well-directed labor; nothing is ever attained without it.

ARTHUR SHOPENHAUER*

In their hearts women believe that it is the business of men to earn money, and their own to spend it—if possible, while their husbands live, but if not, then afterwards.

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GEO WASHINGTON*

Washington seldom indulged in jokes, but when he did, he always made a hit. In Congress, during debate on the Fed'l Army, a mbr offered a resolution limiting the force to 3,000 men. Washington suggested an amendment providing that no enemy should ever invade the U S with more than 2,000 soldiers. Laughter completely smothered the resolution.—*Judy's*.

WENDELL WILLKIE*

Our way of living together in America is a strong but delicate fabric. It is made up of many threads. It has been woven over many centuries by the patience and sacrifices of countless liberty-loving men and women. It serves as a protection of poor and rich, of black and white, of Jew and Gentile, of foreign and native-born. Let us not tear it asunder. For no man knows, once it is destroyed where or when man will find its protective warmth again.

